OIL, GAS & MINING



## State of Utah

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November 13, 2014

By regular mail and Certified Return Receipt 7013 2250 0000 2309 2167

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Robert Drachuk c/o Roger Perkins 224 South Martin Street Little Rock, Arkansas, 72205

Robert Drachuk 134 - 720 Commonwealth Road Kelowna, British Columbia V4V 1R8 Canada

Subject: <u>Division Directive to Reclaim or to Provide Evidence of a New Lease, Additional Reclamation Surety, and an Amended Notice of Intent, Robert Drachuk, ML 48945 Mine, S/027/0103,</u>

Millard County, Utah

Response or reclamation required by December 11, 2014.

Dear Mr. Drachuk:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining was notified by the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) that state lease ML 48945 associated with the ML 48945 mine has been cancelled. The annual permit fee was paid through 2013 but has not been paid for 2014.

Since you are no longer authorized to mine at this site, you are hereby directed to EITHER:

Regrade existing mining-related disturbances by December 11, 2014. The Division recommends that the site be reseeded as soon as possible after regrading and that seed be applied to freshly-roughened soil. Once this work is complete, you may request release of a portion of the reclamation surety by signing and submitting the attached form MR-SITE.

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## OR

- 2) Provide to the Division evidence of one or more new leases by December 11, 2014. A letter from SITLA confirming the issuance of a new lease would suffice, AND
- Provide an amendment to the Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (Notice) to the Division by December 11, 2014, showing the existing and any proposed future mining disturbances. Additional reclamation surety requirements will be determined at that time. Please include in this amendment updated contact information, such as address, telephone number, and e mail.

The Division's records indicate you contacted Peter Brinton of the Division by telephone on November 11, 2013, and indicated your inability to reclaim in 2013, but you said you would probably be able to reclaim in the spring of 2014. The Division inspected the site in April 2014, and no reclamation had been performed. The Division has recently and unsuccessfully attempted to contact you multiple times by phone and e mail.

Failure to proceed with reclamation or leasing may result in enforcement action and associated fines. The Division will re-inspect the areas to verify reclamation earthwork and at that time will determine whether a partial release of the reclamation surety is justified.

We understand that you have been seriously ill and hope you are recovering. When you receive this letter, please contact Peter Brinton at 801-538-5258, or me at 801-538-5261. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Paul B. Baker

Minerals Program Manager

PBB: pnb: eb

Enclosed: April 17, 2014 Inspection Report

Recommended seed mix

MR-SITE form

cc: Jerry Mansfield, SITLA (ML-48945); jmansfield@utah.gov

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## West Desert Seed Mix (fossils) (recommended) Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

Species	Amount
Crested Wheatgrass - Hycrest	0.5 lb/acre
Fourwing Saltbush	2.0 lb/acre
Indian Ricegrass - Nezpar	2.0 lb/acre
Siberian Wheatgrass - Vavilov	2.0 lb/acre
Pubescent Wheatgrass	2.0 lb/acre
Western Wheatgrass - Arriba	3.0 lb/acre
Forage Kochia - Immigrant	0.5 lb/acre
Palmer penstemon	0.5 lb/acre
Winterfat	1.0 lb/acre
Yellow sweet clover	0.5 lb/acre
Small burnet	0.5 lb/acre

Total 14.5 lbs/acre

- \* Keep your seed stored at a cool or cold temperature until you are ready to spread it
- \* Broadcast seeding is typically much more effective on freshly-roughened soils (e.g. immediately after regrading)
- \* Keep your seed tags and records of your revegetation activities as documentation for the Division
- \* Contact the Division if you have questions or concerns